

Jayne Nash Montgomery



Jayne Nash graduated from Chickasha High School in 1939. She attended OCW (now University of Science and Arts of Oklahoma) where her father was President. Following graduation, she worked for the War Department in Washington D.C. and Senator Josh Lee of Oklahoma. Jayne returned to Oklahoma and attended and graduated at the College of Law at the University the Oklahoma. She practiced law in Purcell with her husband, Henry Montgomery for over 50 years.

Montgomery was the first woman associate professor at the OU College of Law, the first woman Special Justice of the Oklahoma Supreme Court, and the first woman elected to office in the OBA. She served as vice-president in 1978. She was president of the Oklahoma Women's Lawyers Association.

Jayne was selected as the Purcell Citizen of the Year in 1971, and in 1994, she received the 2002 Women in Communication By-Liner Award, and was a 2001 finalist for the Journal Record Women of the Year. She was inducted into the USAO Hall of Fame in 2002.

Montgomery served as president of the Purcell School Board and was one of the founders and was the first President of the Purcell Public School foundation. She was a trustee of the Oklahoma Foundation of Excellence, the Purcell Municipal Hospital Foundation and the USAO Foundation. She was a 50-year member of the Girl Scouts and a troop leader and Office of the Council.

Mrs. Jayne Nash Montgomery Looney was induced in the Chickasha High School Hall of Fame in 2003. She passed away in 2004.